GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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CIVIL AVIATION PROJECTS IN WEST BENGAL
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the major developmental projects of Civil Aviation currently underway in West Bengal;

(b) whether any time frame has been fixed for implementation of these projects;

(c) if so, whether the work is going on as per schedule;

(d) the new domestic and international flights proposed to be introduced from Kolkata Airport and Bagdogra Airport;

(e) by when they are likely to become operational;

(f) whether any foreign Airlines have proposed to start their service from these Airports; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a), (b) & (c) At Kolkata airport in West Bengal, works of strengthening, re-construction of `D` Taxi track and construction of bay nos 11 & 12 are likely to be completed in December 2003; and work of construction of new Hangar is likely to be completed in March 2003. All the above works are going as per schedule.

(d) & (e) M/s Sahara Airlines has proposal to introduce new flights from Kolkata to Gorakhpur and Allahabad with effect from 6.3.2003 and M/s Alliance Air to/from Shillong with effect from 30.03.2003.

(f) & (g) British Airways, Royal Jordian Airlines, RoyalBrunei Airlines, Singapore airlines, Biman Bangladesh and Druk Air (Bhutan) are already routing their International flights through Kolkata during winter schedule 2002-2003. In addition to above, Indian Airlines and Air India operate their flights from Kolkata to Bangkok.